

# ABSTRACT

A display-panel-drive apparatus having a drive unit that drives the display panel and a control unit that outputs control signals for controlling said drive unit to said drive unit, 5 the display-panel-drive apparatus is provided with: a drive board of the drive unit; a control board of the control unit; a transmission line that transmits the control signals from the control board to the drive board by way of a removable connector; a detection device that detects when said connector 10 is disconnected; and a control device that controls said drive unit when the detection device detects that the connector is disconnected; and wherein the detection device detects that said connector is disconnected by detecting when the connection terminals of the connector are disconnected.